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Sir:

Applicants submit the following response to the non-final Office action mailed October 27, 2005. Applicants request entry of the response into the record.

Applicants have filed a petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.78(a)(3) to accept an unintentionally delayed claim under 35 U.S.C. §120 for the benefit of U.S. Serial No. 09/941,357, filed August 28, 2001. The remarks presented herein are made with the assumption that this petition is granted and that the priority claim is entered. Thus, Applicants respectfully request that the present response be considered after a decision on the petition has been made.